

**6th RISE Symposium (Research Insights in Semi-arid Ecosystems)
Saturday, 03 October 2009**

Marley Building, Room 230

8:30-9:00	Registration	
9:00-9:05	Mitch McClaran and Susan Moran	RISE Welcome
9:05-9:10	Susan Moran USDA ARS SWRC	Update: New Research Opportunities at WGEW
9:10-9:15	Mitch McClaran UA SNR	Update: Activities at SRER including NEON news
9:15-9:20	Jake Weltzin USGS-NPN	Update: USA National Phenology Network (USA-NPN)
9:20-9:40	Judie Bronstein UA EEB	Pollination and herbivory by hawkmoths are subsidized by bat-pollinated agaves in the Santa Rita Mountains
9:40-10:00	Mark Nearing USDA ARS SWRC	The Conservation Effects Assessment Project for Western Rangelands: A National Project to Assess Impacts of US Conservation Programs
10:00-10:20	Tom Meixner UA HWR	Hydrologic control of upland impacts on perennial water quality
10:20-10:40	Elizabeth Sparks UA CE	Developing an educational outreach program at the Santa Rita Experimental Range
10:40-11:00	Poster introductions	Poster abstracts presented by poster authors
11:00-1:00	Poster Session (Accepting submissions)	Authors will be with their posters in the hall outside the conference room
12:00-1:00	Lunch w/ Posters	<i>Provided at the meeting; included in RISE registration fee</i>
1:00-1:20	Peter Gierlach (Petey Mesquitey) KXCI Radio	Man hears own heart and changes perception of natural world
1:20-1:40	Alfredo Huete UA SWES	Satellite-observed shifts in biome seasonality and vegetation -rainfall relationships in the Southwest
1:40-2:00	Shirley Kurc UA SNR	The nature of the pulse: hydrologic triggers of phenological activity in creosotebush dominated ecosystems
2:00-2:20	Charles Van Riper USGS SDRS	Does plant phenology control the distribution of migratory birds in the southwestern United States and northern Mexico?
2:20-2:30	Discussion	All speakers and poster authors will be in attendance

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Undefined Acronyms:

ARS: Agricultural Research Service
CE: Cooperative Extension
EEB: Dept. of Ecology & Evolutionary Biology
HWR: Dept. Hydrology and Water Resources
NEON: National Ecological Observatory Network
NPN: USA National Phenology Network
SDRS: Sonoran Desert Research Station
SNR: School of Natural Resources
SWRC: Southwest Watershed Research Center
UA: University of Arizona
USDA: United States Department of Agriculture
USGS: United States Geological Survey
WGEW: Walnut Gulch Experimental Watershed